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**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on  
February 6, 2007:

**REMARKS**

During the interview, the following was discussed: Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §  
103.

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None.
2. Identification of claims discussed: Claim 1
3. Identification of art discussed: US Patent No. 6,359,643 to Visvanathan *et al* and  
Miyazaki (US Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0231631).
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: None.
5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Whether the proposed modification and  
combination of the cited references is valid.

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6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: None.

7. Results of Interview: Examiner explained his reasoning for combining the references and his interpretation of how storage features in the two references may be modified. The Examiner also suggested further defining the recited features of claim 1 to clarify the functioning of the search means. Applicants maintain the claims are patentable in view of the clarifying arguments and new claims submitted with the accompanying Supplemental Amendment.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

**It is believed that no petition or fee is required.** However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.


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